

# MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## WEEKLY CALENDAR - DECEMBER 21, 2007

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**STATE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON DECEMBER 25, 2007, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY, AND JANUARY 1, 2008, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY.**

### NEW COMPUTERIZED TAP FORM

Starting January 1, 2008, the Public Utilities Commission will no longer accept hard copies of the TAP reporting form. Companies will now have to electronically file the new, computerized TAP reporting form, which can be downloaded at the following web address: <http://www.puc.state.mn.us/telecom/index.htm>. The form is the last item in the sidebar on the left of the page.

### DUAL NOTICE

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing If 25 or More Requests For Hearing Are Received;

In the Matter of Possible Amendments to Commission Rules Governing Energy Utility Billing Errors Rules, Minnesota Rules parts 7820.3700-.4000, Docket Number E,G-999/05-444.

### Commissioner Marshall Johnson Farewell Celebration

In honor of Commissioner Marshall Johnson's 14+ years as commissioner, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission along with the Johnson family, will be hosting a farewell celebration for our friend and colleague. The celebration will take place Monday, January 7, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's Large Hearing Room. There will be a brief program and light breakfast served at the party. If you plan to attend and/or would like to say a few words or share a fond memory, please respond by clicking on [registrar.puc@state.mn.us](mailto:registrar.puc@state.mn.us).

### Possible Amendments to Rules Governing Ex Parte Communications

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission requests comments on possible amendments to its rules governing *ex parte* communications. The Commission is considering rule amendments that would conform the rule to statutory changes. The amendments would extend *ex parte* restrictions to participants, add an investigatory process for complaints, and remove duplicative language.

### **COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE - WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2007**

NOTE: An unresolved meeting item will either be continued to the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting or will be rescheduled. If no items are listed for a Commission meeting and there are no items continued from a prior meeting, the meeting is canceled. Please contact the receptionist at (651) 296-7124 for confirmation of the Commission schedule.

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2007**

**9:30 a.m. - PUC Planning Meeting**

*No Other Items Scheduled.*

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2007**

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**

**State Offices Closed.**

#### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2007**

**9:30 a.m. - PUC Planning Meeting**

*No Other Items Scheduled.*

## **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2007**

***The AGENDA MEETING for this week has been CANCELED.***

### **CONSENT CALENDAR - WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2007**

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**SUBMITTED FOR COMMISSION REVIEW:      Wednesday, December 19, 2007**

**DEADLINE FOR COMMISSION REVIEW:      Wednesday, December 26, 2007**

**Approval of Minutes:    December 13, 2007                      Johnson, Brown**

- 1.    P-5822/PA-07-1461                      LH Telecom, Inc.**

Application to Transfer Control. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid)
- 2.    P-5276,5223/PA-07-1480              Primus Telecommunications, Inc.; Least Cost Routing, Inc.**

Petition for Primus Telecommunications, Inc. to acquire the assets of Least Cost Routing, Inc. and to cancel Least Cost Routing, Inc.'s certificate of authority. (PUC; Lindell; DOC: Linscheid)
- 3.    P502,PT-6163/IC-07-1463              Barnesville Municipal Telephone; Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)
- 4.    P-507,PT-6163/IC-07-1464              Callaway Telephone Exchange; Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)
- 5.    P-508,PT-6163/IC-07-1465              Cannon Valley Telecom, Inc.; Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)
- 6.    P-545,PT-6163/IC-07-1466              Christensen Communications; Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)
- 7.    P-527,PT-6163/IC-07-1467              Gardonville Cooperative Telephone Association;  
Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)
- 8.    P-535,PT-6163/IC-07-1468              Home Telephone Company; Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)
- 9.    P-413,PT-6163/IC-07-1469              Lakedale Telephone Company; Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)
- 10.   P-544,PT-6163/IC-07-1470              Mabel Telephone Cooperative; Verizon Wireless**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Schneider)

**11. P-449,421/IC-07-1495 Global Crossing Telemanagement, Inc.; Qwest Corporation**

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Linscheid)

**12. P-5728,421/IC-07-1533 Onvoy, Inc.; Qwest Corporation**

Joint Application for Approval of the December 4, 2007 Amendment to the Companies' Interconnection Agreement (Pending Approval in Docket No. P-5728,421/IC-07-1548); Implementing the Settlement Agreement Regarding 1) Where Qwest's Duties to Provide UNEs Have Expired, and 2) Procedural Safeguards and Transition Periods for Implementing Changes in Qwest's Unbundling Obligations as Approved by the Commission in Docket Nos. P5692,5340,5643,5323,465,6422/M-06-211 and P999/CI-06-685 (October 5, 2007). (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Schneider)

**UPCOMING MEETINGS - WEEK OF DECEMBER 31, 2007**

NOTE: The following agendas are **subject to change**. Please refer to the next **Weekly Calendar** to confirm agenda items, dates and times.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2008**

***The AGENDA MEETING for this week has been CANCELED.***

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

In the Matter of the Annual Review of Energy Facilities Permitting Programs; PUC Staff Bob Cupit (651-201-2255).

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Thursday, December 27, 2007, 10:00 a.m.** - Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Small Hearing Room, 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55101.

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In the Matter of the Application for a Pipeline Routing Permit for the Nashwauk-Blackberry Natural Gas Pipeline Project, Docket No. PL,E-280/GP-06-1481; Administrative Law Judge: Steve M. Mihalchick; PUC Staff: Bob Cupit.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Thursday, January 3 & Friday, January 4, 2008, 9:00 a.m.** - Nashwauk City Hall, 301 Central Ave., Nashwauk, MN 55769.

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In the Matter of the Application of Great River Energy for a Site Permit for the Elk River Peaking Station, Dockets ET-2/GS-07-715 & ET-2/CN-07-678; Administrative Law Judge: Richard C. Luis; DOC Staff: Project Manager - Bill Storm (651-296-9535); Public Advisor - Deborah Pile (651-297-2375).

**EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS:**

**Tuesday, January 8 and Wednesday, January 9, 2008, 9:30 a.m.** - Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Large Hearing Room, 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55101.

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**In the Matter** of the Application of Otter Tail Power Company and Others for Certification of Transmission Facilities in Western Minnesota, Docket ET-6131 ,ET-2,ET-6130, ET-10, ET-6444,E-017, ET-9/CN-05-619 Administrative Law Judge: Steve M. Mihalchick; PUC Staff: David Jacobson (651-201-2238).

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

**Wednesday, January 10, 2008, 6:00 p.m.** - Ortonville Community Center, 200 Monroe Ave., Ortonville, MN.

#### **EVIDENTIARY HEARING**

**Tuesday, January 23 & Wednesday, January 24, 2008, 9:00 a.m.** - Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Small Hearing Room 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55101

### ***RECENTLY ISSUED FORMAL ORDERS***

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<b>COMPANY/SUBJECT</b>	<b>DOCKET #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>SERVICE DATE</b>	<b>PGS</b>
MinnDakota Wind, LLC	IP-6530/WS-06-157	Order Amending Site Permit.	12-14-07	2
All Electric Companies	E-999/CI-04-1616 E-999/CI-03-869	Order Establishing Initial Protocols for Trading Renewable Energy Credits.	12-18-07	14
Fenton Power Partners, LLC	PT-6499/WS-05-1707	Order Amending Site Permit to Change Permittee Name.	12-20-07	2
Wisconsin Power and Light Company	ET-6657/CN-07-1425	Order Varying Rule and Extending Time Line for Commission Action.	12-20-07	3
Minnesota Power; Mesabi Nugget Delaware, LLC	E-015/SA-07-1079	Order Accepting Withdrawal of Petition and Reserving Jurisdiction to Enforce Protective Order.	12-21-07	3
All Electric Companies	E-999/CI-07-1199	Order Establishing Estimate of Future Carbon Dioxide Regulation Costs.	12-21-07	12

### ***ORDERS ISSUED WITHOUT HEARING\****

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\*Pursuant to the Commission's August 25, 2000 Standing Order Designating Certain Filings as Filings Subject to Approval Under Minn. Stat. Sect. 216A.03, Subd. 7, Docket No. P-999/CI-00-634 and the Commission's Consent Calendar subcommittee process authorized under Minn. Stat. Section 216A.03, Subd. 8, and approved by the Commission at its December 18, 2001 agenda meeting.

<b>COMPANY/SUBJECT</b>	<b>DOCKET #</b>	<b>TITLE/DISPOSITION SUMMARY</b>	<b>SERVICE DATE</b>	<b>PGS</b>
Ace Link Telecommunications, Inc.	P-5639/M-07-626	Request for Approval of 911 Plan for Houston County - Approved.	12-19-07	1

Big River Telephone Company, LLC	P-6652/NA-07-1196	Application for Certificate of Authority (CoA) to Provide Facilities Based Local and Long Distance Services - Approved operational CoA to provide interexchange services; Approved conditional CoA to provide facilities based local services in certain exchanges; Approved proposed tariff as filed 9-12-07 and revised on 11-8 & 9-07; Granted variance to Minn. Rules pt. 7829.3200.	12-19-07	2
Amercatel Corporation; Startec Global Operating Company	P-5610, 5521/PA-07-1437	Joint Petition for Amercatel Corporation's Acquisition of Startec Global Operating Company - Approved merger with conditions.	12-19-07	1
Winnebago Cooperative Telephone Association	P-571/AM-07-1445	Application for Approval of Name Change to Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association on its Certificate of Authority - Approved name change; Company shall file revised tariff reflecting new name.	12-19-07	1
Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc.; Nextera Communications, LLC	P-405, 6387/IC-07-1485	Joint Application for Approval of Interconnection Agreement - Proposed interconnection agreement approved.	12-19-07	1
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC; Nextera Communications, LLC	P-407, 6387/IC-07-1486	Joint Application for Approval of Interconnection Agreement - Proposed interconnection agreement approved.	12-19-07	1
Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc.; Velocity Telephone, Inc.	P-405, 5986/IC-07-1487	Joint Application for Approval of Interconnection Agreement - Proposed interconnection agreement approved.	12-19-07	1
Christensen Communications Company; Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC	P-545, 407/IC-07-1497	Joint Application for Approval of Interconnection Agreement - Proposed interconnection agreement approved.	12-19-07	1
Enventis Telecom, Inc.; Qwest Corporation	P-5596, 421/IC-07-1515	Joint Application for Approval of Amendment to Interconnection Agreement - Proposed amendment approved.	12-19-07	1
Embarq Minnesota, Inc.	P-430/AR-07-948	Petition for Renewal and Revision of Revised Alternative Regulation Plan, Request for 30 Day Extension of Existing AFOR Plan - Request for 30 day extension granted.	12-20-07	1

## ***RECENTLY ISSUED COMMISSION NOTICES***

Note: Under TITLE; COMMENTS DUE, *CD* = *Comments Due*; *ICD* = *Initial Comments Due*; *RCD* = *Reply Comments Due*.

<b>COMPANY/SUBJECT</b>	<b>DOCKET #</b>	<b>TITLE; COMMENTS DUE</b>	<b>SERVICE DATE</b>	<b>PGS</b>
All Telephone Companies	P-999/CI-07-1074	Notice of Extension of Time to File Report, Second Request - Report due 1-14-08.	12-14-07	1
Great River Energy	ET-2/CN-07-678	Notice of Revised Comment Periods - ICD 12-21-07; RCD 1-18-08.	12-18-07	1

Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company	E-016/S-07-1472	Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period - ICD - 15 days after receipt of PSCW written approval of Company's application; RCD - 10 days after ICD deadline.	12-18-07	1
Time Warner Telecom of Minnesota, LLC	P-5981/M-07-1215	Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period, Second Request - ICD 2-15-08; RCD 2-25-08.	12-20-07	1
PNG Telecommunications, Inc.	P-5374/M-07-1446	Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period - ICD 2-19-08; RCD 2-29-8.	12-20-07	1
Ionex Communications North, Inc.	P-3144/PA-07-1462	Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period - ICD 1-22-08; RCD 2-1-08.	12-20-07	1
Aquila Networks -PNG; Aquila Networks -NMU	G-007, 011/D-06-826	Request for Additional Information - Information to be filed by 1-18-08.	12-20-07	1

## ***RECENT COMMISSION DECISIONS***

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***Meeting Date: December 18, 2007***

### **DECISION ITEMS**

- \*\*1. P-5340,421/IC-06-768 Qwest Corporation; Eschelon Telecom, Inc. Staff recommendation adopted; compliance filing required.**

In the Matter of the Petition of Eschelon Telecom, Inc. for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with Qwest Corporation Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(b).

- I. How shall the Commission resolve the disagreement over contract language?
- II. Upon resolution, what procedures should govern the final contract review? (PUC: **O'Grady**)

- \*\*2. E-015/SA-07-1079 Minnesota Power; Lake Country Power Petition withdrawn; docket closed with conditions.**

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Minnesota Power and Mesabi Nugget Delaware, LLC for Approval of a Service Extension Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216B.42: Shall the Commission accept the ALJ's recommendations to accept the withdrawal of the joint petition and terminate the proceeding? (PUC: **Mitchell**)

- \*\*3. G-007,011/D-06-826 Aquila Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks-PNG and Aquila Networks-NMU; Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation Oral argument heard; deliberations to be scheduled.**

In the Matter of the 2006 Depreciation Technical Update: What is the appropriate treatment of the gain on the sale of the peaking plant property? (PUC: **Dasinger**)

- \*\*4. E-001/PA-07-540 Interstate Power and Light Company; ITC Midwest LLC Transaction approved: Commitments to be enforced.**

In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Approval of the Transfer of Transmission Assets of Interstate Power and Light Company and ITC Midwest LLC: Should the Commission approve the proposed transfer of transmission assets from Interstate Power and Light Company to ITC Midwest LLC? (PUC: **Sickmann, Fittipaldi**)

**NOTE:** Please see December 11, 2007 Agenda for staff briefing papers.

**Meeting Date: December 20, 2007**

**DELIBERATION ITEMS**

***No Items***

**DECISION ITEMS**

- \*1. P-999/M-07-1356 All Telephone Companies Approved.**

Petition to Order Discontinuance of Service to Revoked Carriers and Carriers That Have Relinquished Their Authority. (PUC: Oberlander; DOC: Schneider) **NOTE:** Staff supports the DOC recommendation to order discontinuance of service to revoked carriers and to carriers that have relinquished their authority.

- \*2. P-5383,522/PA-07-1371 Farmers Mutual Telephone Co.; Farmers Mutual Technologies, Inc. Approved.**

Petition of Farmers Mutual Telephone Company for Approval of Acquisition of Assets and Customers from Farmers Mutual Technologies, Inc. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid) **NOTE:** Staff generally supports the DOC recommendations, including finding violations of law, and recommends that the Commission determine whether or not penalties are warranted.

- \*3. P,E-100,523,5750/PA-07-1411 Federated Telephone Cooperative; Agralite Electric Cooperative; HomeTown Solutions, LLC Approved.**

Joint Petition for Approval of Transfer of Membership Interest. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid) **NOTE:** Staff supports the Commission finding that the companies violated Minn. Stat. Sect. 237.23 and 237.74, subd. 12, and recommends that the Commission consider whether or not penalties are warranted.

- \*4. P-421/AM-07-865 Competitive Local Exchange Carriers; Qwest Refer to OAH.**

In the Matter of Qwest's Petition for Approval of 2007 Additions to Non-Impaired Wire Center List: Should the Commission approve the Parties' recommended procedures to address their disputes regarding additions to the non-impaired wire center list? (PUC: Lindell)

- \*5. ~~P-5096,6011/M-07-1477~~ Qwest Communications Corporation; Reduced Rate Long Distance, LLC PULLED.**

In the Matter of Qwest's Petition to Disconnect Service to Reduced Rate Long Distance: Should the Commission grant Qwest's petition to disconnect service to Reduced Rate Long Distance? (PUC: Moy)

- 6. E-002/CN-07-873 Xcel Energy Certificate granted.**

In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy for a Certificate of Need for the Grand Meadow Wind Farm: Should the Commission grant a Certificate of Need for the Grand Meadow Wind Farm? (PUC: Eknes)

- 7. E-015,ET6,E017/CN-07-1222 Otter Tail Power Co.; Minnesota Power; Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. Applicants designated; exemptions approved with conditions.**

In the Matter of the Application of Otter Tail Power Company, Minnesota Power and Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. for a 230 kV Transmission Line from Bemidji to Grand Rapids Minnesota: Request by Applicants for Exemptions: Should the Commission approve the proposed designation of Applicants and the exemption request for the Certificate of Need Application for the Bemidji to Grand Rapids 230-kV transmission line? (PUC: Eknes)

**\*8. E,G-999/M-07-1102 All Wind Developers Standards approved; investigation authorized.**

In the Matter of Establishment of General Permit Standards for the Siting of Wind Generation Projects Less than 25 Megawatts: Should the Commission establish general wind permit standards recommended by the Department and required by Minnesota Session Laws 2007, Chap. 136, SF 145? (PUC: Cupit; DOC: **Sokolski**).

**9. E-241,120/SA-07-1304 Glencoe Light and Power; McLeod Cooperative Power Approved.**

Electric Service Territory Memorandum of Understanding Between Glencoe Light and Power and McLeod Cooperative Power. (PUC: Mitchell; DOC: Ouanes)

**10. E-015/M-07-1430 Minnesota Power Approved.**

Petition for Approval to Implement Cost Recovery under its Boswell 3 Environmental Improvement Plan. (PUC: Harding; DOC: Peirce)

**\*11. E,G-002/M-07-283 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy Approve new rider rate, customer notice. Require new tariff pages.**

In the Matter of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy's Petition for Approval of State Energy Policy Rate Rider and Compliance Filing: Should the proposed rate revisions to the State Energy Policy Riders be approved? (PUC: **Sickmann**)

**\*12. E,G-002/S-07-1323 Northern States Power Company Approved.**

In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company for Approval of Capital Structure for Issuance of Long-Term and Short-Term Securities for 2008: Shall the Commission approve or reject the Petition? (PUC: **Mitchell**)

**13. E-111/M-07-1283 Dakota Electric Association Approved.**

Annual Conservation Tracker Account Report. (PUC: Sickmann; DOC: Shaw)

**\*14. ~~E,G-002/CI-02-2034~~ Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy PULLED.**

In the Matter of an Investigation and Audit of Northern States Power Company's Service Quality Reporting: Should the Commission approve Xcel's proposed revised Gas Emergency Response Metric? (PUC: **Harding, Rebholz**)

**\*15. G-008/M-07-1063 CenterPoint Energy Variance granted with conditions.**

Petition for Approval of a Continued Variance from the Commission's Automatic Adjustment Rules Related to the Recovery of Demand Costs. (PUC: **Dasinger**)

**\*16. ET-9/RP-06-605 Southern MN Municipal Power Agency Update due 6-1-08; RES due 10-1-08; Resource plan due 7-1-09.**

In the Matter of Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency's 2006-2021 Resource Plan: What action should the Commission take regarding SMMPA's 2006-2021 Resource Plan in light of SMMPA's Notice of a Change in Circumstances? (PUC: **Fournier, Krishnan**)

# **ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS** **No Items**



## **MISCELLANEOUS DOCKETS THROUGH DECEMBER 18, 2007**

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\* Comment due dates on New Authority (NA) filings can be subject to change depending on receipt of filing fee.

<b>DOCKET #</b>	<b>DATE FILED</b>	<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>COMMENTS DUE</b>
G002/—07-1555	12-11-07	Xcel Energy	Conservation Improvement Program rider modification (Minder)	- -
E,ET2, E117/LR-07-1556	12-12-07	Great River Energy; Itasca-Mantrap Coop. Electric Association	Shingobee substation and transmission line with Great River Energy and Itasca Mantrap (Pile, Steinhauer)	- -
P6266/RV-07-1557	12-12-07	R2C Communications, Inc.	Check if ever in business (Schneider)	1-11-08
E002/M-07-1558	12-10-07	Xcel Energy	Renewable energy plan (Amit)	1-9-08
P6209/RV-07-1559	12-12-07	Rural Cellular Corporation	Check if still in business (Doherty)	1-11-08
P5608/RV-07-1560	12-12-07	SmartStop, Inc.	Check to see if business-last RV 05 (Schneider)	1-11-08
P5874/RV-07-1561	12-12-07	SNG Communications, LLC	Check if in business (Schneider)	1-11-08
P6267/M-07-1562	12-13-07	Hiawatha Broadband Communications, Inc.	Tariff- New Customer in Lewiston MN promotion (Schneider)	1-14-08
P402/AM-07-1563	12-13-07	Arvig Telephone Co.	ISDN-PRI promotion (Schneider)	- -
P404/AM-07-1564	12-13-07	Bridge Water Telephone Company	ISDN-PRI promotion (Schneider)	- -
P418/AM-07-1565	12-13-07	Mid-State Telephone Company	ISDN-PRI promotion (Schneider)	- -
P573/AM-07-1566	12-13-07	Winsted Telephone Co.	ISDN-PRI promotion (Schneider)	- -
E002/GS-07-1567	12-7-07	Xcel Energy	Site permit - Monticello extended power uprate project (Pile)	- -
E016/AA-07-1568	12-13-07	Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Co.	December 2007 Auto Fuel Adjustment (Lusti, Ouanes)	- -
P6422/M-07-1569	12-12-07	XO Communications Services, Inc.	Tariff #3 - Introduce charges service order changes (Doherty)	- -
P6422/M-07-1570	12-12-07	XO Communications Services, Inc.	Tariff #2 - Service order charges (Doherty)	- -
P5496/M-07-1571	12-14-07	TCG Minnesota, Inc.	Tariff - Grandfathering language and end date for some services (Dietz)	- -
E002/RP-07-1572	12-14-07	Xcel Energy	2007 Resource Plan (Davis, Ham, Peirce, Rakow, Shaw)	1-14-08
P5520/M-07-1573	12-17-07	SBC Long Distance, LLC	SBC to discontinue Business Local Exchange Telephone Service (Doyle)	- -
P6168/M-07-1574	12-17-07	BullsEye Telecom, Inc.	Tariff #1 - Local exchange revise usage rates and add toll service (Doyle)	- -

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MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION			DECEMBER 24, 2007 THROUGH JANUARY 18, 2008	
<b>DECEMBER 24</b> 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting  1:00 Commission Meeting	<b>25</b>  <b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY</b>  <b>STATE OFFICES CLOSED</b>	<b>26</b> 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting  1:00 Commission Meeting	<b>27</b> 9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting CANCELED  1:00 Commission Meeting	<b>28</b>
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<b>JANUARY 7</b> 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting  1:00 Commission Meeting  <i>10:00 a.m. Farewell Party for Commissioner Johnson</i>	<b>8</b> 9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting  1:00 Commission Meeting	<b>9</b> 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting  1:00 Commission Meeting	<b>10</b> 9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting  1:00 Commission Meeting	<b>11</b>
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